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THE JORNAL DE BRASILIA, AUGUST 31, REPORTS THAT MINISTRY OF
EXTERNAL RELATIONS HAS REVEALED THAT THE FOREIGN MINISTRY
HAD RECEIVED AMBASSADORS FROM FRG, JAPAN, AND THE US WHO HAD
COME TO ASK FOR SUPPORT OF THE BRAZILIAN GOVERNMENT FOR
MEASURES TO COMBAT ACTS OF TERRORISM, HIJACKING OF AIRCRAFT,
AND THE TAKING OF HOSTAGES. THE FOREIGN MINISTER IS REPORTED
TO HAVE REPLIED THAT BRAZIL WOULD APPROVE WHATEVER ANTI-TERRORISM
RESOLUTION THAT MIGHT BE SUBMITTED FOR
CONSIDERATION BY THE US GENERAL ASSEMBLY. THE THREE AMBASSADORS
ARE REPORTED TH HAVE SAID THAT THEIR GOVERNMENTS HAD
NOT YET DECIDED WHETHER TO PRESENT A DRAFT RESOLUTION
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ON THIS SUBJECT. THERE FOLLOWS THE FULL TEXT OF THE
PRESS RELEASE ISSUED BY THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL
RELATIONS:

BEGIN TEXT.

THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS MET ON AUGUST 29
WITH THE AMBASSADORS OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY,

JAPAN AND THE UNITED STATES, WHO ASKED SUPPORT OF THE BRAZILIAN GOVERNMENT FOR MEASURES TO COMBAT ACTS OF TERRORISM, HIJACKING OF AIRPLANES AND TAKING OF HOSTAGES, AS WAS AGREED THROUGH A DECLARATION SIGNED LAST JULY IN BONN BY THESE COUNTRIES AND CANADA, ITALY, UNITED KINGDOM AND FRANCE. THEY ALSO EXPLAINED THAT IT IS NOT YET DECIDED WHETHER THEY WILL PRESENT A PROJECT ON THIS MATTER IN THE UNITED NATIONS FORUM.

THE BRAZILIAN GOVERNMENT REPLIED THAT IT SHARES THE AVESION TO THESE ACTS AND THE WORRIES OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY ABOUT THESE VIOLENT ACTIONS, WHICH DESTROY OR EXPOSE TO DANGER HUMAN LIVES, AND WHICH BRAZIL, ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS AND IN VARIOUS INTERNATIONAL FORUMS, MAINLY THE UNITED NATIONS, HAS DISAPPROVED.

THE BRAZILIAN POSITION IS BASED ON HUMANITARIAN PRINCIPLES OF MAINTAINING PEACE AND GOOD INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS. BRAZIL CONSIDERS THAT EFFECTIVE MEASURES SHOULD BE TAKEN TO PREVENT ACTS OF VIOLENCE, AND THAT REACTIVE MEASURES SHOULD DEAL WITH THE ACTS THEMSELVES, WITHOUT SUBJECTIVE CONSIDERATIONS. AND IT IS IN THIS SENSE BRAZIL WILL ACT, WHENEVER NECESSARY, AND WILL SUPPORT THE PROPOSAL THE INTERESTED COUNTRIES MAY PRESENT IN THE NEXT SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE UNITED NATIONS. END TEXT.

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